asktd to take ae ion against its officers for the lapse ;|dereliction of duty-pointed out by he Commission.

Thefts in Trains

*228. SHRI V GOPALSAMY:
SHRI T. A. MOHAMMED *SAQt*
Y;

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to st

(a) how many complaints did Railway Protection I oree receive regarding thefts of got ds and valuables on Tamil Nadu, Grtnd Trunk and Kerala Express during the last three years, year-wise and trainwise;

(b) how many of them have since been successfully solved by Railway Protection Force so for;

(c) how many complaints are still pending with Mailway Protection Force for reeovei y of goods and dis posal;

(d) whether ;t is a fact that the passengers who arelwere victims of thefts of goods and valuables are harrassed by Railway Protection Force when the/ approach the con cerned authorit es to register the FIR; and

(e) whether ar y such case or com plaint in this ret ai'd has been receiv ed in the past by concerned authority; if so, what action has been taken against these wbi were found guilty?

THE MINISTIR OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY" OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. C. LENKA); (a) to (e) Statistical figure; of such complaints are maintained by the Government Railway Polio*, which functions under the contn I of the State Governments conceri ed.

RPF is not l<gally authorised to register and investigate such com plaints. Therefore, there is no question of Railway Protection Force harrassing the /ictims of thefts of gooda.

Physio Occupitional Therapist service

*229. DR. BAPU KALDATE:
SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) when was the Physio Occupational Tharapist Service started in Central Institute of Orthopaedics, Safdarjung Hospital;

(b) what is the existing strength as against the sanctioned|required strength of the Department;

(c) what are the reasons for not filling up the requisite strength of the department; and

(d) what steps have been taken| proposed to be taken in this regard;

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANK ARAN AND): (a) Th_e service was started in January, 1991.

(b) t_0 (d) Against a sanctioned strength of 7 Physio/Occupational Therapists in the Central Institute of Orthopaedics, 4 posts are filled. Selection has already been made in res-I of 3 vacant posts and the offer of appointment has been issued in *2* cases.

Oil Fields in Assam

230. SHRI PARMESHWAR KUMAR AGARWALLA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the oil fields in Assam have failed *to* attract any bidders;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) what is the response for other oil fields in the country apart from Assam?

I THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND I NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH

SHARMA); (a) No offer has been received for development of oil fields hi Assam.

(b) Since biddhjg ly companies is related to their evlaua'ion of com mercial aspects, it is not possible to state specific reasons for absence of of offers.

(c) 117 bids in all have been re ceived for developument of seven me dium and 24 small.^ized oil and BBS fields.

Constrution of Roads and Buildings in Periyar Tiger Reserve"

•231. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS bo pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's atten tion has been drawn to the construc tion of roads and buildings being carried out in Periyar Tiger Reserve in violation of the norms set by his Ministry; <

(b) if so, whether the construction has been threatening the lush gr^en environs of the Reserve; and

(c) if so, what action is being taken to stop construction and to protect the Reserve from any threat?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) The consruction of roads and buildings in Periyar have been undertaken for intensification of management and are not in violation of the norms set by this Ministry

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Location of Retail Outlets tor sale of Petrol and Petroleum Products

*232. DR. YELAMANCHILI SI VAJI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) how many demand surveys were conducted for location of retail outlets for sale of petrol and petroleum products; and

(b) how many now ;?ie points are projected by the demand surveys the State wise details thsreof?

THE MINISTER Oi' STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH SHARMA): (a) and (b) Locations for opening of retail outlets are idenliiied by the oil 80mp3R<43 <n the basis of feasibility studies. This is an ongoing and continuous exer cise and is carried out by the oil companies. Based on these studies, 14?4 new retail outlet proposals have been included in the approved Marketing Plan for 1988-9:3. Statewise details &re give.n in the attached Statement.

Statement

State-wise details of retail outlet marketing plan 1988-89

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1.	Andhra Pradesh	57
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3.	Assam	38
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